GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
FINANCE
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FUNDS TO U.P. .
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Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) the funds allocated to Uttar Pradesh during the last three years,year-wise;

(b) the schemes for which this amount has been utilised;

(c) whether the State Government has submitted the utilisation certificate in this regard; and

(d) if not, the details of the action taken by the Government in this regard;

(e) whether the Government has decided to maintain strict vigilance on the States to ensure proper utilisation of Central funds in the development schemes;

(f) if so, whether the Government have received reports from various States about the misuse of funds or under-utilisation of Central funds; (g) if so, the States which have not fully utilised the Central funds and have misused them; and (h) the action Government propose to take to check this under-utilisation and misuse of Central funds?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE SHRI BALASAHEB VIKHE PATIL
(a)& (b):Central assistance is released to all the States including Uttar Pradesh for the States` Annual Plans in the shape of Block Grants and Block Loans which is not tied to any specific scheme or project. The funds allocated to Government of Uttar Pradesh during the last three years are as follows:-

(Rs.in crore)

Year	Block Grants	Block Loans
1997-98	1037.15	2035.08
1998-99	1140.55	2050.57
1999-2000	1356.49	2451.78

(c)&(d) : Do not arise.
(e)to(h): For the releases made under the States` Plans, the State Governments are accountable to their State Legislatures for proper utilisation of funds through the State Audit Reports prepared by the CAG of India under Article 151(2) of the Constitution. However, if there is shortfall in plan expenditure as against approved/revised plan outlay, a proportionate cut is made from the Central assistance released to the States.